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For PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING A CELLULOSIC PAPER PRODUCT

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AMENDMENT A

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the Office action dated December 26, 2002,
please enter the following amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 with the following:

1. (amended) A process for manufacturing a cellulosic paper product, the process comprising:
forming an aqueous suspension of papermaking fibers;
introducing sodium bicarbonate into said aqueous suspension;
depositing said aqueous suspension onto a sheet-forming fabric to form a wet web; and
through-drying said wet web by passing heated air through said wet web.

Please cancel claim 2.

Please replace claim 3 with the following:

3. (amended) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein said aqueous suspension has a pH of from about 7.5 to about 8.5 after said sodium bicarbonate is introduced into said suspension.